

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

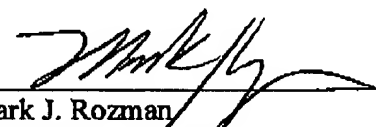
Applicant gratefully acknowledges the indication that pending claims 21-36 are allowed. Applicant further acknowledges the indication that claims 41 and 42 include allowable subject matter but depend from a rejected independent claim.

Independent claim 37 has been amended to include the subject matter of dependent claim 41. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claim 37 and claims 38-39 and 42 depending therefrom are also patentable.

In view of these remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504.

Respectfully submitted,

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